

**REMARKS:**

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for the courteous and productive teleconferences on September 13 and October 31, 2007, in which the undersigned pointed out that all of the claims should be allowable once the Examiner's claim objections to claims 26-30 are overcome. While an Amendment was filed on September 20, 2007, canceling the claims accordingly, the Examiner could not commit to allowing the case at this time (today) as an updated search and further consideration were indicated as being required. However, to speed prosecution, all but the allowed claims 65-66 have been canceled. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file a Continuation Application for the remaining non-rejected claims 1-24, 26-64, and 67-70.

Claims 65-66 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-24, 26-64, and 67-70 have been canceled to allow prosecution of the claims in a Continuation Application. No new matter has been added.

It is noted that any claim amendments are made only for more particularly pointing out the invention, and not for distinguishing the invention over the prior art, narrowing the claims or for any statutory requirements of patentability.

Further, it is noted that, notwithstanding any claim amendments made herein, Applicant's intent is to encompass equivalents of all claim elements, even if amended herein or later during prosecution.

#### IV. FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 65-66, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,



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